

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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President Joseph R. Biden  
The White House  
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Dear Mr. President,

I write to implore you to use all of the diplomatic and economic tools at your disposal to ensure that the People's Republic of China is not able to offer military or economic support to the Russian Federation in order to relieve Vladimir Putin's regime from the crippling sanctions we have imposed on his economy. It is critical that China understands that aiding Russia at this time would be a decision that would lead to a severe sanctions regime.

As Russia's biggest trading partner, it is critical to prevent Beijing from undermining the rest of the global community in condemning the invasion of Ukraine and presenting a unified effort to cripple the Russian war effort. Your administration must treat any effort to help Russia evade sanctions by the Chinese government as a grave violation of the international peace effort. Any assistance that China might provide to Russia must be dealt with for what it is, the aiding and abetting of a war criminal who has launched an unprovoked attack against a sovereign nation and who is actively targeting civilians in violation of the Geneva Conventions.

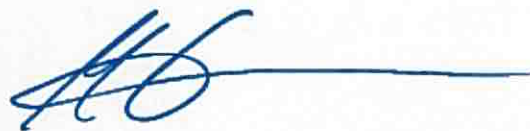
If China does not fully comply with economic sanctions against Russia or if it provides Russia with military assistance, the United States must hold China to the same account as we have held Russia. During this moment of uncertainty, swift and decisive action is needed to keep our allies and our rivals alike aligned against Putin who has made his country into a pariah state to satisfy his own deluded ambitions.

Aiding Russia at this time is tantamount to attacking Ukraine with them. Your administration must turn up the pressure on China at this critical juncture. The world needs strong American leadership now more than ever. It is my hope that, together, we can work toward a swift resolution to the conflict in Ukraine and prevent further tragedy. China's assistance to Putin would ensure our failure in this effort.

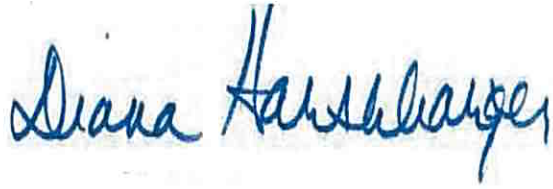
Sincerely,



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